

Heritage Corridors Pathways of History and Culture

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"Heritage corridor" means a regional, state, or nationwide alignment of historical, natural, or conservation education significance, with roads, state and other parks, greenways, or parallel recreational trails, intended to have guidebooks, signs, and other features to enable self-guiding tourism, and environmental conservation education along most of its length and of all or some of the facilities open to the public along its length, with an emphasis on facilities whose physical and interpretive accessibility meet "whole-access" goals.

Routes which shall be given priority for designation as heritage corridors:

- (a) Routes which connect urban areas with the cross-section of parks and resource areas.
- (b) Routes incorporating facilities for ready accessibility for physically disabled persons.
- (c) Scenic highways.
- (d) Looping routes radiating out of centers of population.
- (e) Routes nominated by local governments and volunteers.
- (f) Routes providing access to recreational trails and other recreation facilities.
- (g) Routes intended to direct the public away from areas where trespass or damage to public or private property or natural resources is likely.

Trails Plan Heritage Corridors

- American Discovery Trail
- Juan Bautista de Anza Nat'l Historic Trail
- Pony Express Nat'l Historic Trail



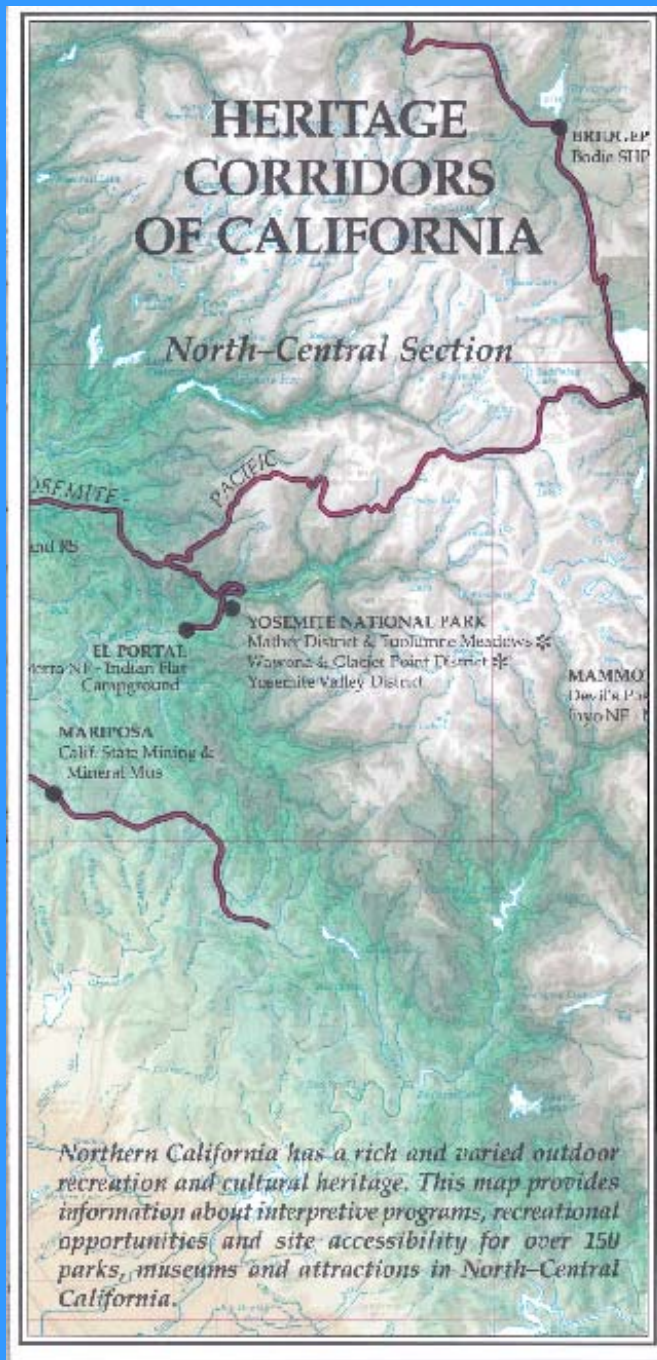
Statutorily-Designated Heritage Corridors

- California Pioneer and Goldrush Heritage Corridor: from San Francisco Bay via the North Lincoln Highway, Highway 40, and Interstate 80 to Sacramento, Truckee, and Nevada.
- Tahoe Pacific/Farms & Forests Heritage Corridor (Cross California Ecological Corridor): from Fort Bragg to the Pacific Crest along Highway 20, Interstate 80, and south along Highway 89 to South Lake Tahoe and Nevada.
- North Central Coast Heritage Corridor: from San Mateo County to Patrick's Point State Park
- California's Gold Country: Highway 49 in Sierra, Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne, Mariposa, and Madera Counties
- Coast Highway Heritage Corridor: Highway 1 from the Golden Gate to Leggett and Highway 101 from that point to Oregon

Heritage Corridor Promotion

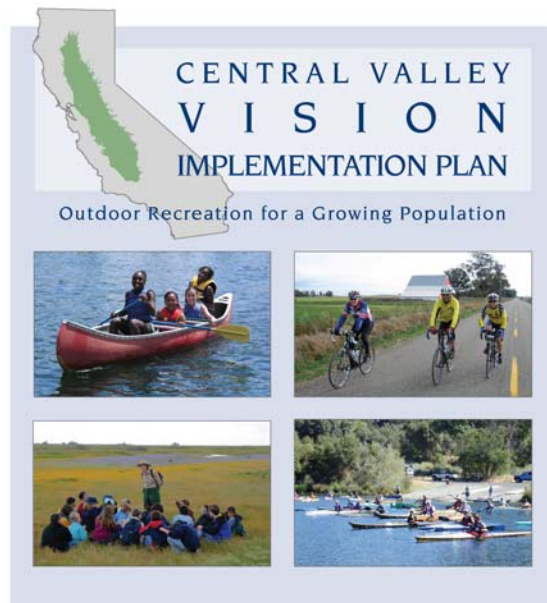
The director may prepare a combined heritage corridors and accessible trails guidebook.

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Central Valley Vision Heritage Corridors

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Interpret Central Valley culture and history, especially:

- California Indians,
- Agriculture + water
- Oil and gas development
- Immigrants

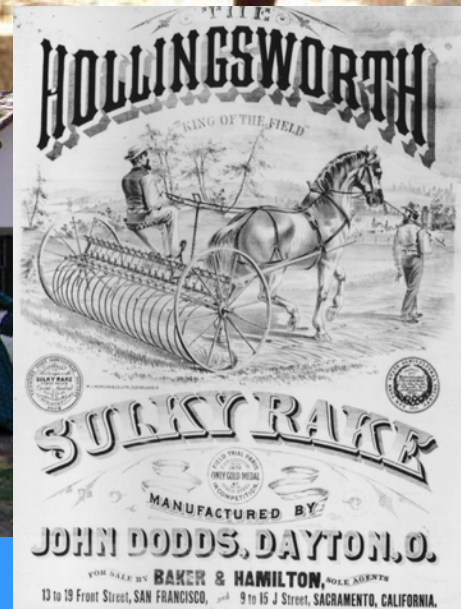
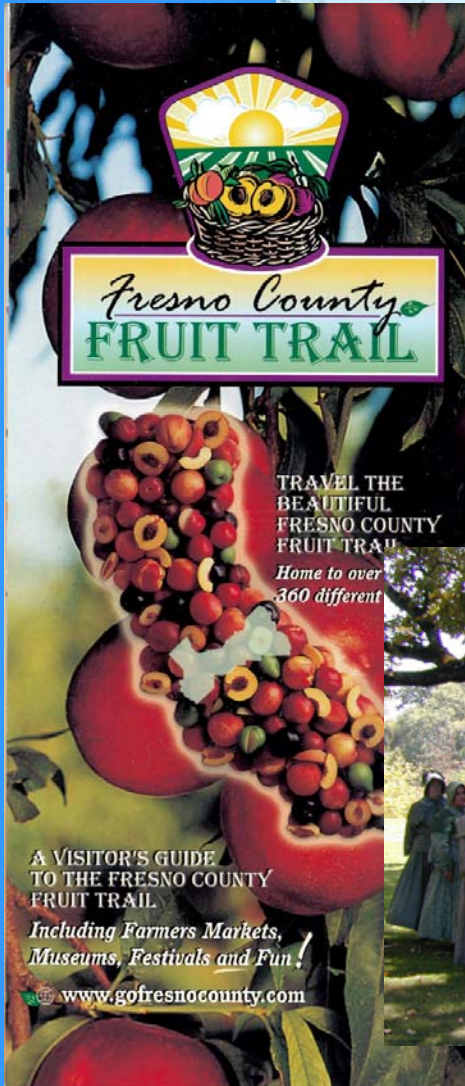
“Base camp” Strategy

Create a base camp on state parks lands to provide facilities and a gateway to other public lands

- Improves access to existing public lands
- Encourages purchase of smaller parcels of land for State Parks
- Limits impact to environment by concentrating developed facilities



Central Valley Farm Trail



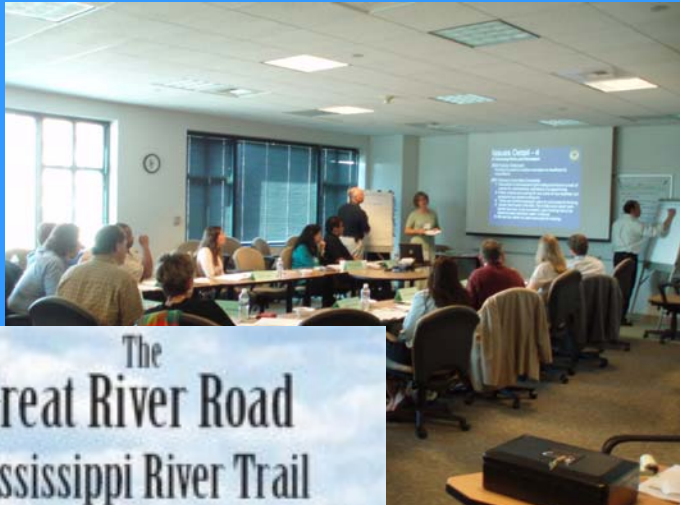
Black Gold Heritage Corridor



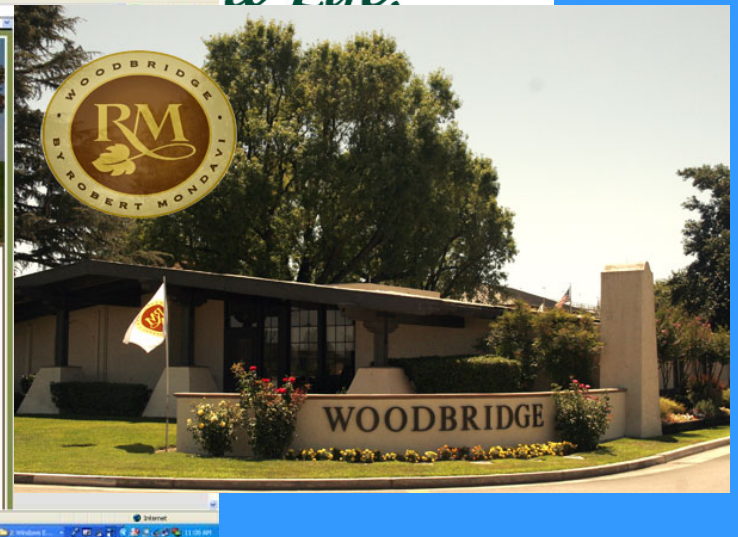
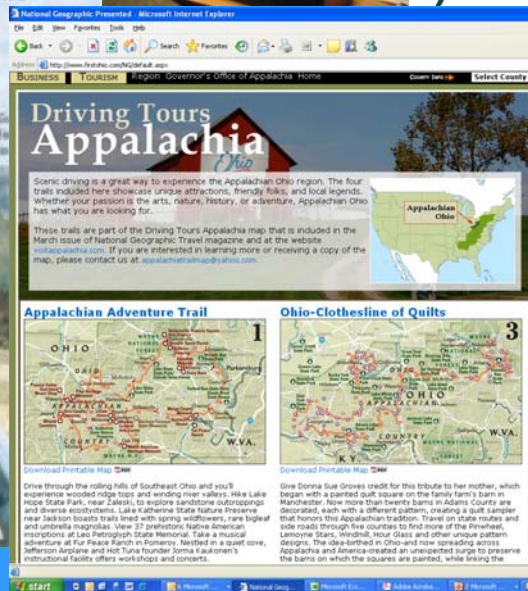
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Implementation



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to Life.*



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